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NORTHERN SOUTHEAST OUTSIDE SECTION DIRECTED LINGCOD FISHERY CLOSURE ANNOUNCEMENT

Sitka... The Alaska Department of Fish and Game announced today the directed fishery for lingcod will close in the entire Northern Southeast Outside (NSEO) Section, at 11:59 p.m., Tuesday, June 11, 2013. The 2013 directed lingcod fishery guideline harvest level (GHL) for the NSEO Section is 17,200 round pounds. To date, over 14,700 pounds of lingcod have been landed from this area. After accounting for catch that has not yet been landed, the department anticipates there will be an inadequate amount of the GHL remaining to provide for additional fishing opportunities in this area.

The directed lingcod fishery remains open in the Central Southeast Outside (CSEO) Section and the Southern Southeast Outer Coast (SSEOC) Sector. Lingcod catch will be closely monitored and fishermen should expect additional area closures on short notice. Closure notices will be announced by news release and on the United States Coast Guard "Notice to Mariners" report and the National Weather Service marine broadcast.

Updates of area closures for all lingcod fisheries are available on the Groundfish Hotline at 907-747-4882. For additional information on the directed lingcod fishery, refer to the news release issued on March 20, 2013.

The Emergency Order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1G1113.

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